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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, CY, US
SUBJECT: FURTHER GOC CONCERN IN DAVIES CASE

REF: NICOSIA 730

1. FOLLOWING TRANSMITTAL REFTEL, GOC NEGOTIATOR
TASSOS PAPADOPOULOS TELEPHONED TO SAY HE HAD JUST BEEN AT
PRESIDENCY WHERE HE FOUND KYPRIANOU VERY WORRIED ABOUT
IMPACT OF REDUCED SENTENCES IN DAVIES CASE.
KYPRIANOU HAD ASKED HIM TO CALL ME TO SEE IF IT WOULD
HELP TO ANNOUNCE THAT PRESIDENT INTENDS TO ORDER A NEW
INVESTIGATION AND RETRIAL. I SAID THAT WHILE NOT A
LAWYER, I THOUGHT THIS WAS PROBABLY A LEGAL IMPRACTICALLY.
WITNESSES WOULD BE THE SAME. THE BEST WITNESSES HAD BEEN
INTIMIDATED INTO GIVING CONFLICTING, SELF-DISCREDITING
EVIDENCE. IN A NEW INVESTIGATION THIS PROCESS WOULD
SIMPLY REPEAT ITSELF. THE CASES HAD GONE TO THE SUPREME
COURT. I DOUBTED THE ASSASSINS, AND ASSASSINS THEY
WERE, COULD BE TRIED TWICE FOR THE SAME OFFENSE.
ONLY, I SPECULATED, IF TELEVISION-BASED AMERICAN FILMS
COULD BE INTRODUCED IN COURT COULD THERE BE A DRAMATIC
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AND ABSOLUTELY CONVINCING CHANGE. UNFORTUNATELY, IN
OBTAINING THE FILMS, DEPT OF STATE HAD BEEN OBLIGED TO
COMMIT ITSELF NOT TO INTRODUCE THE FILMS IN COURT BUT
TO USE ONLY AS LEAD EVIDENCE. PAPADOPOULOS ASKED IF
THERE WAS POSSIBILITY OF A CHANGE IN THIS POSITION AND
SUGGESTED I INQUIRE. I SAID I THOUGHT THE POSITION OF
THE FILMS' OWNERS WAS FIRM BUT I WOULD ASK.

I NOTED THAT HAD THERE BEEN THE REQUISITE POLITICAL RESOLVE, POLICE PROFESSIONALISM AND COURAGE, THE DOZENS OF ENLARGEMENTS PASSED TO THE GOC IN THE COURSE OF INVESTIGATION WOULD HAVE BEEN ENOUGH TO SUSTAIN CONVICTIONS FOR MURDER.

2. ACTION RECOMMENDED: FOR VISIBLE IMPACT, I SUGGEST DEPT CONSIDER REQUESTING A MEETING WITH CYPRUS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT MICHAELIDES, AS WELL AS AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU.
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